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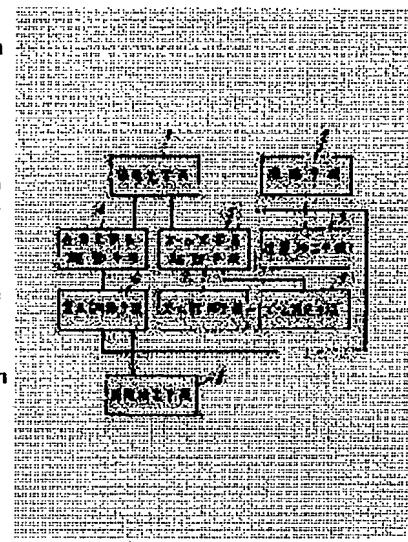
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(54) MONITORING DEVICE

(57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To flexibly cope with the distance or size of an object and the size of a monitoring range.

CONSTITUTION: This device is provided with an image pickup optical system 1 having a focusing optical system and a zooming optical system, an image pickup means 2 picking up the image of a prescribed monitoring range through the image pickup optical system 1, a position detection means 3 detecting the position of the prescribed object from the image signal from the image pickup means 2, a focusing optical system driving means 4 driving the focusing optical system, a zooming optical system driving means 5 driving the zooming optical system, a focusing adjustment means 6 detecting the focusing position from the image signal from the image pickup means 2 and controlling the focusing optical driving means 4, a zooming control means 7 controlling the zooming optical system driving means 5 based on the image signal from the image pickup means 2, and a distance detection means 8 detecting the distance between the focusing position and the object.



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